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September 23, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REJECT BIDS
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000628
SANTA CLARA RIVER INVERT ACCESS RAMP
AT HONBY AVENUE
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Reject all bids received on June 8, 2004, for Project ID No. FCC0000628, Santa Clara River Invert Access Ramp at Honby Avenue.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On June 8, 2004, five bids were received for the work of this contract. The apparent low bid is 7 percent below the engineer's estimate. However, unforeseen difficulties in acquisitions of required right of way to construct these improvements significantly changed the nature of the work such that we believe rejecting all bids is in the best interest of the County. Once the needed right of way has been obtained and the project plans adjusted accordingly, we will readvertise the project.

A certified record of receipt of the bids and the original bid proposals as submitted by the bidders are enclosed.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Fiscal Responsibility since it will allow Public Works to rebid this project to construct the access ramp at the lowest cost and least affect on neighboring properties.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost to readvertise this project will be minimal and will be offset by savings in a reduced scope of work.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The "Instructions to Bidders" included in the bid documents provides for the rejection of all bids by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This action has no environmental impact.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The delay in constructing this project will have little or no long-term impact on current services.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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Interim Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
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